

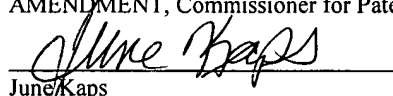
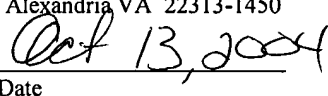


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SERVICE AND ADAPTIVE SERVICE LEVEL MANAGEMENT WITHIN
THE CONTEXT OF AN INTERNET AND INTRANET*

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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION ELECTION UNDER 35 U.S.C. §121

Sir:

In the Office Action, dated September 13, 2004, Applicants are required to restrict the invention to one of the following groups of inventions:

Group I, Claims 1-3, drawn to distributing request on the basis of selected class of the service, classified in class 709, subclass 225.

Group II, Claim 4, drawn to probabilistic load balancing, classified in class 718, subclass 105.

Group III, Claims 5-8, drawn to establishing a session with a sever, classified in class 709, subclass 227.

Group IV, Claims 9-11, drawn to monitoring sever and collecting information about selected servers, classified in class 709, subclass 224.

In response thereto, Applicants herein elect the invention of Group I without traverse, for further prosecution on the merits.

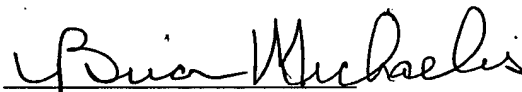
In view of the foregoing, examination of the elected invention and favorable consideration are respectfully requested.

Although no fee is believed due with this submission, please charge any deficiency or credit any overpayment of any fee(s) to Deposit Account No. 50-0369. Also, in the event any extensions of time for responding are required for the pending application, please treat this paper as a petition to extend the time as required and charge Deposit Account No. 50-0369.

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